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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 1921.

PRICE TWO CENTS

## CITY TO ISSUE \$300,000 BONDS

City Council to Retire \$9,000  
Each Year Beginning 1924

## JOINT SESSION HELD

E. J. McDermott Chosen Fire Chief  
and E. C. Dunn is Re-Elected City  
Engineer—Other Matters Presented

Common council at its meeting last night by a vote of 10 to 3 adopted an ordinance providing for bond issue in the sum of \$300,000 as recommended by the finance committee. These bonds are to bear interest at the rate of six per cent and the interest is payable in April and October and beginning in 1924 the sum of \$9,000 is to be paid each year up to and including 1955 and \$12,000 paid 1956 liquidating the indebtedness. The bonds are to be in the denomination of \$1,000 each and are to be known as gas works, streets and general improvement bonds. \$180,000 is for gas and \$120,000 for street improvements.

A motion of Councilman Fletcher to amend the ordinance to make it read \$600,000 was lost by a vote of 10 to 3, Messrs. Downham, Fletcher and Devers favoring the \$600,000 issue.

On the petition of Russell Mitchell Post No. 609, Veterans of Foreign Wars for the use of the Friendship Engine house and to charge a small admission, funds to be for the benefit of disabled ex-service men, the public property and finance committee recommended that a special committee be appointed to meet the old members of the Friendship Engine Company and get their sentiments and the report was adopted. President Burke appointed on this committee Messrs. Wattles, Kaufmann and Devers.

It was stated that a meeting of the Friendship Veterans will be held Monday night at 7:45 o'clock at the company's house.

A joint session of council was held at which time Edward J. McDermott, a member of the Columbia Fire Company, was elected chief of the fire department to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Fire Chief Kenneth W. Ogden. Mr. McDermott will assume the duties of the position June 1. He was nominated by councilman Desmond.

E. C. Dunn was re-elected city engineer for a period of two years by the joint session and was agnated by Councilman Ticer.

Alderman C. J. W. Summers presided at the joint session and in common council Councilman W. C. Baggett served as clerk.

Previous to electing Mr. McDermott the resignation of Mr. Ogden was acted on. Those who opposed accepting his resignation were Messrs. Kaufmann, Sullivan and Fletcher and those who voted to accept it were Messrs. Devers, Ballenger, Desmond, Wattles, Downham, Matter, Ticer, McCaffrey, Baggett and Burke.

Council granted the Alexandria County Lighting Company permission to continue the prevailing rate for electricity for another year from June 1, 1921 by a vote of 12 to 1. Councilman Sullivan voting in the negative.

A resolution that the corporation attorney prepare an ordinance amending ordinance in reference to the city health department which shall provide for a health officer who shall be a physician, bacteriologist and clinician, a deputy health officer, a public health nurse and a clerk and designating their salaries and duties was referred.

Resolution that the city engineer be authorized to make necessary repairs to the armory was referred to the joint committee on finance and public property.

Petition from E. J. Shinn, secretary of the board of Police Commissioners, in which the commissioners recommended an appropriation of \$150 for expenses of Chief Goods to the National Association of Police Chiefs which meets in St. Louis was referred to finance and police committees.

The annual appropriation bill for the year ending May 31, 1922 was referred to the finance committee. The lower branch adopted an

amendment to the revenue law providing for a license tax of \$10 on all auto busses doing an interstate business.

Other matters acted on follow: Petition of Edward Brown to rent lot on South Washington street extended for \$25 a year was referred to the street committee; letter from Councilman McCaffrey relative to protest from a garbage collector of other person collecting garbage on his route, was referred to health committee; petition of J. D. Normoyle for improvements to house 528 North Columbus street, granted; petition of Frank Warfield for permission to erect addition to house 306 Prince street, referred to the street committee; Mrs. W. E. Candler granted permission for improvements at 335 North St. Asaph street and D. J. O'Neil to build garage at 304 North Columbus street.

## U. D. C. Meeting

Prepare For Confederate Memorial Day May 24

The regular monthly meeting of the Mary Custis Lee-17th Virginia Regiment Chapter, U. D. C., was held Monday night in Confederate Veterans' Building and largely attended.

Mrs. Wm. J. Morton made an interesting report of her trip to Orange as a delegate to the 14th District meeting of the U. D. C., on the 14th and 15th of April.

Arrangements were made and committees appointed for Confederate Memorial Day, and it is asked that all those interested in the work will keep in mind the day, 24th of May, and make their usual contribution of flowers.

At the conclusion of the business session a reception was tendered the President of the Chapter, Mrs. Louis N. Duffey. Mrs. Duffey responded in a most gracious manner and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

## Important Meeting

Retail Bureau of Commerce Body Meets Tonight

Every retail merchant in Alexandria, who are members of the Chamber of Commerce, should attend the meeting this evening at 8 o'clock of the Retail Merchants' Bureau. A number of important matters will be up for consideration. Among the most important will be the report of the business manager on the proposed ferry between Fox Ferry and this city.

This project is shaping up to the satisfaction of all. The director-chairman of this meeting, urges all to be present.

## MASONS BAN POLITICS

Washington, D. C. May 11.—Master Masons from all parts of the country last night were advised to keep Masonry out of politics at a mass meeting and concert held in Continental Memorial hall. Senator Townsend, of Michigan, told his hearers that he had been receiving letters from Masons asking him to support Masons for political jobs.

William G. McAdoo, former Secretary of the Treasury, also asserted that the death knell of Masonry would be sounded if politics was ever injected into it.

"It is a mistake to put Masonry on that ground," declared Senator Townsend. "It should never be used as a tool in the political arena. I believe in Masonry because of what it stands for. It need make no apology. In this day, as in all days, our country needs Free Masonry."

Amidst thunderous applause, Senator Townsend declared that Masonry had helped to shape the destiny of the world from the beginning of history, and that it is the hope of the world today. He called upon the membership of the National League of Masonic clubs, as units in the oldest fraternal organization in the world, to keep Masonry clear of politics.

Former Secretary McAdoo, analyzing world conditions, painted a picture of nations suffering from excessive taxation, and declared that taxes in all lands would soon become unbearable unless some intelligent plan was evolved for disarmament.

## CHILDREN'S SHOW

Tonight—Opera House—8 O'clock  
"Springtime"  
Admission 25 Cents

## FREQUENT DATA ON LIVING COSTS

New Plan to be Help In  
Wage Adjust-  
ments

TO COLLABORATE

Hoover to Join With Davis in Se-  
curing and Publishing Statistics—To  
be Used as Index

Washington, May 11.—Arrangements were made today to have the Department of Commerce co-operate with the Department of Labor in getting out figures on the cost of living. It is expected that the aid given by the Department of Commerce will make possible the publication of findings several times a year, instead of twice a year, as at present.

Figures covering all phases of the cost of living problem, from the standpoint of the substantial mechanic, have been issued in the past by the Department of Labor in December and June. Figures on the cost of foods have been put out monthly. Lately, it has been contended by those interested in the cost of living, as it relates to pending industrial problems, that the semiannual statement on the cost of living as a whole is not sufficiently fresh when released to be a reliable guide, in wage disputes, and that the monthly reports on food costs are not sufficient.

To meet the need for complete figures, compiled so quickly as to be pertinent to current conditions, it was suggested that the Census Bureau, in the Department of Commerce, be used to supplement the work done by the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Labor, which under Ethelbert Stewart, has been compiling the figures. Secretary Hoover, of the Department of Commerce, was strongly in favor of such a plan, and it was brought to the attention of the President, who approved.

Today the President said that the Department of Labor has men to do the work, and the Department of Commerce has resources to help do it quickly, so that seemed like good teamwork to link the two and get reports on the cost of living quickly. He did not go into details. Secretary Davis said after the Cabinet meeting that the work would continue to be done in his department and that the details of the co-operation would be worked out tomorrow at a conference between himself and Secretary Hoover. It is reported, however, that the findings of facts will be given the public by Secretary Hoover.

It is expected, from what the President said, that the field force of the Department of Labor will continue to gather the data, aided in some aspects of the work by agents of the Census Bureau, and that the compilation and analysis of the data will be made by the Census Bureau. This may work out in such a way that the energies of the force in the Labor Department will be concentrated almost constantly on gathering data, and the Census Bureau will be used to whip the data into the shape of conclusions, at intervals of a month or so, instead of the conclusions coming out twice a year.

If that result can be obtained officials high in the Administration believe that a long step will have been taken toward settlement of wage problems so far as those problems are caused by differences as to the fluctuations in the cost of living. If an official statement of the cost of living to the average workingman's family comes out once a month, or once every two months, it must be taken by all parties as a wage controversy, it is believed, as a reliable index. The charge of obsolescence cannot lie against official living cost statements made with that frequency, in the opinion of officials.

Secretary Hoover, who has been interested in bringing about the arrangement, gave out a statement yesterday afternoon in which he said "The arrangement to combine the materials and staff of the Census

## Veteran Firemen

Edward H. Clarkson Member of  
Friendship Company For  
68 Years

The distinction of being the only living charter member of the Friendship Fire Company goes to Edward H. Clarkson of this city.

Mr. Clarkson has been a member of that company for the past sixty-eight consecutive years, having joined it when he was an apprentice boy at the age of fourteen years. Mr. Clarkson is now eighty-two years of age.

He first served as a torch bearer in the Friendship Company and later became commander of hose of that company and served as such during the fire at the old Patent Office in Washington and he was the last commander of hose of that company till it ceased to function.

Mr. Clarkson recalls many of the fires in bygone years to which the old Friendship responded.

## Favor Curfew Law

League of Women Voters Go on Record For Measure

At a meeting of the board of directors of the League of Women Voters held last night, at 612 King street, the action of the Parent-Teachers and other associations in urging the retention of the services of Mrs. Olive Jones Whitmer in this city was endorsed, and a committee appointed to draft resolutions to that effect to be sent to the Virginia senators, Representative R. Walton Moore, and the Interdepartmental Social Hygiene Bureau.

A constitution along the lines of the state league was adopted, and in accordance with the requirements of the constitution, two vice chairmen were elected, Mrs. Nevell S. Green away, and Mrs. M. W. O'Brien. The board also went on record as favoring a curfew law in this city.

The next meeting of the League will be held Tuesday, May 24, at the chamber of commerce, when an address on the primary laws will be made.

## Maj. J. A. Long Dies

Had Been Ill Only Nine Days With  
Pneumonia

Maj. James Alfred Long, fifty-nine years old, died shortly after 11 o'clock this morning at his residence, 526 Queen street, after a comparatively short illness of pneumonia. The deceased was stricken last Tuesday.

Major Long is survived by his wife, Mrs. Katie Estelle Dorsey Long, and a daughter, Miss Florence A. Long.

He was born in Bloomington, Ill., December 29, 1861, and graduated at West Point in 1883 and after leaving the academy he engaged in teaching the mercantile business and subsequently he accepted a position in the War Department in Washington and had been in Washington in the government service since 1895, having served in a clerical capacity in the Treasury Department and at the time of his death was connected with the Income Tax Bureau.

Maj. Long during the Spanish-American War was a major in the 3rd and 5th Battalions of the District National Guard. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

## FREE-FREE-FREE

Salvation is free, come and receive without cost, a great blessing for every one. Preaching by the great evangelist, Mrs. Nesbit. Services every evening at 7:45 o'clock. The gospel services start Thursday night, Pentecostal Assembly, 300 block South Fairfax street. Everybody is welcome. 110-3p.

and the portion of the Statistical Division of the Department of Labor on prices and cost of living is with the view to securing economy and to enable the more frequent determination of changes in living costs than is now possible by the Labor Department, who are unable to make the determination more than twice a year.

"The rapidly moving readjustments make the figures obsolete before they can be brought out by the present equipment of the Labor Department and it is our purpose to secure a data oftener and issue it more promptly by this action."

## SUBMIT REPORTS ON WORK DONE

Executive Board of Anti-  
Tuberculosis Society  
Meets

HAS CO-OPERATION

Two Nurses Made 174 Visits and 18  
Baby Visits to Those Insured in  
Metropolitan

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society was held last night at the residence of Mrs. Thomas W. Robinson. The report for the month ending April thirtieth submitted to the meeting detailed the following work:

Instructive visits: pre-school children, 2; school children, 1; pre-natal patients, 17; babies, 2.

Bedside care to: pre-school children, 26; school children, 30; maternity patients, 18; babies 18; tuberculous patients, 31; general patients, 460.

Number of patients accompanied to family physicians, 2; tubercular clinic, 2; venereal clinic, 1.

In addition to the nursing aid rendered and the comfort given the patients the nurses secured suitable clothing for one maternity case.

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company co-operates in the work of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society and the Red Cross and in addition to the general nursing reported the two nurses made 174 visits and 18 baby visits to those insured by the Metropolitan.

The foregoing is one of the twelve monthly reports and the important work that is being done to alleviate suffering and to add comfort to the sick is in far greater proportion than even the most generous supporter suspect. This work involves service that builds and protects the health of the community and it is entitled to and merits the most liberal support of everyone.

Co-operating with Miss N. Mowat, the nurse of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society, is Miss B. Bristow, the nurse employed by the Alexandria Chapter of the American Red Cross. These ladies have won the confidence of the community by their professional services and fidelity to the organization they represent.

## Announce Committees

W. A. Smoot, President of Chamber  
of Commerce, Makes Appoint-  
ments

W. A. Smoot, President of the Chamber, announces the following appointments to the standing committees of the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce.

Executive—W. A. Smoot, J. Y. Williams, R. S. Jones, Carroll Pierce, George E. Warfield, R. E. Knight.

Finance—R. S. Jones, Harry Hammond, B. Weil, George D. Hopkins, O. H. Kirk.

Legislative—John W. May, Claude W. Fletcher, Howard W. Smith, J. H. Trimyer, L. Roben.

Membership—S. C. Copley, Claude W. Fletcher, U. S. Lambert, Irvin Diener, Frank Michels, J. L. Perry, C. Page Waller, W. H. Thomas, F. S. Jackson, Julius Wolf, C. E. Cox, Joseph E. Schwarzmann.

## For Children Tonight

The children's performance of "Springtime," will be held at the Opera House tonight at 8 o'clock. This is to give small children an opportunity to see this splendid show at a small admission fee and the program will be complete in every detail.

The two regular performances will be tomorrow and Friday nights. Rehearsals have been in progress for several weeks, and all Alexandrians are urged to support a local institution, the hospital, and encourage home talent, as about two hundred people will be seen in the cast, all of this city.

## FANNON'S

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## Fail To Agree

Second Trial of Fox Administrator  
Against A. H. Bryant Set  
For June 14

After being out an hour last night a jury in the corporation court at 9:30 o'clock announced its inability to reach an agreement in the suit of William Dixon, administrator, against Arthur H. Bryant, trading as Herbert Bryant's Son, to recover damages in the sum of \$10,000 for the death of John A. Fox, November 1, 1920. The jury was then upon discharge by Judge Monroe and the second trial was set for June 14. It is reported the jury stood seven for the defendant and five for the plaintiff.

The suit was the outcome of a collision between the motorcycle driven by Fox and an auto delivery truck belonging to Mr. Bryant on the overhauled bridge just north of the city limits.

## Odd Fellows Elects

Dr. W. S. Gregory Named Grand  
Master

Staunton, Va. May 11.—Dr. W. S. Gregory, of Roonoke, last night was elected grand master of the Virginia Grand Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He has been deputy grand master. The Rev. John Lee Allison, Alexandria, deputy grand master; T. Wiley Davis, Jr., Richmond, re-elected grand secretary; Mel B. Ferguson, Richmond, re-elected grand treasurer; Guy T. Horner, of Norfolk, grand representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

At their session here today the Rebekahs elected the following officers: president, Mrs. Annie Palmer, Childrens; vice president, Mrs. Mary Pitt, Norfolk; warden, Mrs. Mattie Callahan, Lynchburg; treasurer, Mrs. Annie McCoy, Norfolk.

The secretaries' association of subordinate lodges elected officers as follows: president, H. H. Murch, of Charlottesville; vice president, W. K. Pearson, Norfolk; treasurer, S. W. Patterson, of Lynchburg; secretary, W. H. Haney, of Claremont.

The opening business session of the grand lodge was held here this morning. The Rebekahs also held their business sessions morning and afternoon. Other than the election of officers one of the most important matters before the women's branch of the order was the report at the afternoon's meeting that \$1800 had been subscribed her today for the Rebekahs' dormitory for boys at the orphanage, at Lynchburg. It is estimated that the dormitory will cost between \$16,000 and \$18,000.

Behind closed doors and before a crowded house, about 350 candidates received the grand lodge degree, conferred upon them at a meeting of the grand lodge this morning. Grand Master Deverly, presiding. This was one of the largest degree classes ever initiated into the grand lodge.

Immediately after adjournment of the grand lodge, the hall was thrown open to the public, and a joint meeting of the lodge and the Rebekahs was held when an interesting musical and elocution recital was given by 18 girls and 4 boys who had made the trip from the Odd Fellows Home, Lynchburg, to the convention, in charge of Miss Bessie Hill, superintendent, and they presented a very attractive appearance.

## For War Veterans

Representative Moore Offers Bill For  
Use of Mt. Weather

Representative R. Walton Moore yesterday introduced in the House of Representatives a bill to permit the Soldiers' Institute, incorporated, to occupy the government property at Blumont, Loudoun county, known as Mount Weather, in connection with the work for the care, education and rehabilitation of soldiers, sailors and marines of the late war and for other purposes.

The officials connected with this institute are: Hon. Wendell P. Stafford, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, Hon. William S. Culbertson, Jerome F. Barnard, Frederick F. H. Siddons, Gen. James A. Draig, Mrs. J. H. Borges, Mrs. Clarence C. Cushman, Miss Byrd Mock, Mr. Charles E. Nesbit, Mr. William B. Wolfe, William J. Marshall, and H. K. Bush-Brown.

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## REICHSTAG ACCEPTS ALLIED TERMS

German Parliament By Vote  
of 221 to 175 Favors  
Yielding

CABINET PROMISES

Dr. Wirth Succeeds in Forming Min-  
istry Regarded as Makeshift—Must  
do Utmost

Berlin, May 11.—Germany has accepted the Allied ultimatum.

The Reichstag, by a vote of 221 to 175, yielded last night to the final demands of the Allied powers, and, in so doing, agreed to fulfill the terms of the Treaty of Versailles "to the capacity" of the nation to do so.

Dr. Wirth, the Centrist leader, finally succeeded in forming a coalition Cabinet, composed of Centrists, Majority Socialists and Democrats, which confronted by grave necessity, speedily decided that acceptance of the ultimatum was the only course.

In making this announcement to the Reichstag the new Chancellor asked for an immediate decision by that body, and in the voting which followed the Government was sustained.

The Allied ultimatum required a definite reply, based on "Yes" or "No." No conditional reply would be entertained and the ultimatum was formulated to expire on the night of May 12.

The total sum which Germany is called upon to pay is 6,750,000,000 pounds; disarmament must be carried out by Germany first and then the provisions of the treaty must be put into effect. Numerous other onerous terms in which Germany has been in default will be enforced.

Noncompliance with the Allied ultimatum would have subjected Germany to the occupation by the Allies of the Ruhr Valley and whatever other military and naval measures were deemed advisable.

In his speech in the Reichstag today Dr. Wirth said:

"Our task in this grave hour is to obtain the decision of the Reichstag with regard to the ultimatum of the Allied governments. In the protracted detailed negotiations you have formed an opinion on the contents and significance of the ultimatum. In view of the termination of the time limit I must ask you to express your opinion by an immediate decision. There is no possibility for us other than acceptance or rejection. The victors have so decided."

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## MRS. THOMAS E. DOLAN

DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Mrs. Daisy Dolan, wife of Thomas E. Dolan, died about 11 o'clock last night at the Alexandria Hospital of pneumonia. Mrs. Dolan had been ill only about a week.

The deceased, besides her husband, who is chief clerk to the master mechanic at Potomac Yards, is survived by four children.

She was a native of Stafford county, Va.

The body was taken to Remaine's mortuary chapel and the funeral will take place at 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning from St. Mary's Catholic Church. Services will be conducted by Rev. Louis Smot, rector, and burial will be in St. Mary's cemetery.

## Police Court

Cases disposed of in the police court today, Justice W. S. Snow presiding: A colored man, arrested by Policemen Miller and Thompson, permitting waste paper to fall from auto truck into street, acquitted; a man arrested by Policemen Welker, violating traffic law, forfeited collateral; three colored boys, arrested by Policemen L. Padgett and Magness, charged with disorderly conduct, one fined \$10 and two others forfeited collateral; man arrested by Policemen Magner, cruelty to a horse, acquitted.

## DON'T FORGET WEDNESDAY

Big Dance For Elks  
Charity Fund at Elks' Home

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